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SPECIFIC CRIME: ACTIVE SHOOTER / MURDER

DATE OCCURRED: 10-01-17

TIME OCCURRED: 2208 HOURS

LOCATION OF OCCURRENCE: MANDALAY BAY RESORT AND CASINO  
3950 S. LAS VEGAS BOULEVARD  
LAS VEGAS, NV 89119

CITY OF LAS VEGAS

CLARK COUNTY

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NAME OF PERSON GIVING STATEMENT: DETECTIVE RICK GOLGART (RG), P# 4647

DOB:

SOCIAL SECURITY #:

RACE:

SEX:

HEIGHT:

WEIGHT:

HAIR:

EYES:

HOME ADDRESS:

PHONE 1:

WORK ADDRESS:

PHONE 2:

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The following is the transcription of a tape-recorded interview conducted by DETECTIVE C. JEX (CJ), P# 5597, LVMPD FORCE INVESTIGATION TEAM, on 10-14-17 at 1306 hours. Also present are Detective T. Alsup (TA), P# 5782, and Las Vegas Police Protective Association representative K. Hooten (KH), P# 4675.

CJ: Operator, this is Detective C. Jex P# 5597 with the Force Investigation Team conducting a victim witness officer interview with Detective Rick Goltart P#...

RG: 4647.

CJ: ...4647. It's part of the investigation under LVMPD Event# 171001-3519. This interview is being conducted at Valley Hospital in the Conference Room, ah, at 1309 hours. Um, on 10-14-2017, also present in the interview is FIT Detective Trever

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Alsup, T-R-E-V-E-R A-L-S-U-P and PPA Representative Kirk Hooten, K-I-R-K H-O-O-T-E-N. All right, Rick you understand this is being recorded?

RG: Yes.

CJ: Um, what I'd like for you to do is, ah, were you, ah, just explain were you on duty during the time that this incident took place?

RG: I - I was not, I was off duty, ah - ah, attending the concert as a concert goer.

CJ: Okay and so with that, who, um, was with you, were you by yourself or with other people?

RG: Um, we were with a group of people, um, specifically my wife [REDACTED] um, and our, ah, some of our best friends [REDACTED] and [REDACTED], ah, and then my step daughter, ah, [REDACTED] and my daughter [REDACTED]

CJ: Okay. And, ah - ah, about what time did you arrive at the venue or at the - at the concert?

RG: So, we had been we had gone all three days. Um, this was the third day and, um, on - on Sunday or every day we had we get there early, because, um, ah, over the years that we've gone, we've gone every year in the past and as the years have gone by, and the older I get, um, the less I wanna be around a huge crowd up in the front of stage and everything else. So, we get there early, um, we had been - we had been arriving each day about, um, 1:30 to 1:45. Um, the gates, um, open at 2 o'clock, um, and then what we do is we bring in lawn chairs and there's an area specifically in the

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back of the, um, ah, arena area, ah, for specific lawn chairs it's a, ah, they actually put grass there this year, like fake grass to sit the chairs on and everything else. So, we - we would come in early, um, this year, um, I had gotten to park in the, um, church parking lot which is over right to the east of - of it. Um, where normally all the police vehicles and, ah, some of the emergency vehicles had parked. Um, I had gotten in there, um, one of the Sergeants had gotten me in that parking lot, ah, to prevent me from parking miles away. So, I'd been parking there and when walking and so about 1:40, on Sunday I got, we got well, we got there about 1:45, 'cause [REDACTED] had gotten there, dropped off and met - met us there, she got there about 1:30, um, and got in line, um, and so we walked up with some other friends of ours, um, and, ah, met her in line and then got in at 2 o'clock.

CJ: Okay. All right, now let's - let's jump forward, um, you were there from when - when from when you got there. Let's jump forward to the, just before the shooting started taking place. What I want you to do is, ah, is detail from where you realize something was not right. Ah, and understanding completely that, ah, as a off duty officer you're really not really ever off duty. And, ah, so let's - let's go back to where you felt like something was wrong.

RG: Okay.

CJ: And then just really Rick, just - just walk us through it. I won't, I don't wanna stop you in the middle of it and ask any questions, just tell us what - what - what took place.

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RG: Okay. So, um, on Saturday night, let me and I'm gonna regress just a little bit, because, um, our friend [REDACTED] um, met some folks that she's really good friends with and had a, ah, access to a VIP booth, um, one of the Coca Cola VIP towers that they have there. So, on Saturday night late we had gotten into one of those. And talking to the guy that, um, has access to it, um, he had said that he would give us wristbands for Sunday also, 'cause there was a guy, a bunch of groups, a bunch of people in his group that weren't going, so, um, so we sti- we hung out in the event from about one or 2 o'clock to about 6 o'clock, um, until our friend [REDACTED] and or her buddy had gotten there and, um, I don't - I don't know his name, I don't remember his name, um, I met him, but I don't remember his name. Um, we got the wrist bands and so we met, we - we moved from there from the chair area that we were sitting in, to the VIP booth, which is on the west side, um, it's the second Coca Cola tower, um, to the north. So, the first one, um, that we, that is right there as you're walking up to the stage area on the right hand side. Ah, right adjacent to the VIP tent area.

CJ: Okay.

RG: So, um, we got in there about between 5:30 and 6:00, somewhere in there, um, and we were just hanging out listening to all the music. And then, um, Jason Aldean came on and we had a group of people with us, there were some other friends, um, [REDACTED] um, and his wife [REDACTED] ah, they had come in with us also. And then one of our step daughter's friends. My daughter, [REDACTED] um, always liked the music, she's young and wants to be up at the stage, so, um, she pretty much was hanging out

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with her friend's the - the entire weekend. So, she was up at the stage and we - we were in the VIP area. I had just actually spoken to [REDACTED] a little bit ago before Jason Aldean had gone on, she had stopped by and got some food from us from the - from the - from the booth. Um, 'cause she said she was hungry and I said we had some food, so I had given her a plate of food and she walked up right before Jason Aldean started. Um, and then, ah, a couple songs in, um, we start hearing some popping. Um, everybody started freaking out in the booth and around, um, and literally, um, I remember it the sound of it as firecrackers, um, like a - like a book of firecrackers you'd - you'd light off boo - boo - boo - boo - boo - boo - boo, 'cause it would like go down one side and then the other of the firecrackers. And that's what it sounded like to me. Um, I - I even remember everybody started getting down, ah, and I'm like, I'm telling everybody just relax, don't freak out it sounds like fireworks, ah, it sounded like part of the show. Um, I even looked out over the crowd and probably 50 or so feet in front of the - of the area directly from our stage area of where our booth was, directly to the stage, um, there was a group of people kinda stand- kinda standing up and there was smoke coming from them. Like, that emits when firecrackers go off. And that's literally and that's why I was telling everybody, "Hey, guys it's just firecrackers, um, going off don't worry about it." Um, and at that point there was still people running, ah, starting to run, um, out from the area, 'cause that time of night, you know, Jason Aldean is a headliner, um, that place is completely crowded from the front of the stage all the way back to the back of the, um, arena where the bleachers are. Um, there's a big area between the bar and the seating area, that areas

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completely full with standing room only, um, and the whole up front area. So, they all start leaving, um, and then all of a sudden a guy walks up to us, um, over, um, through the - the through the crowd. Somehow the fencing had gotten kicked down that was around, ah, the VIP area. And he walks up to us and he's completely bleeding from his leg. Um, he walks up two steps onto like a patio area right in front of the booth, um, I start to grab him and as soon as I touch him, he literally collapses. Um, like in - in - in our arms. Um, comes to find out that his name was [REDACTED], um, I've actually talked to him since this incident. Um, we tracked each other down through Facebook, um, and he had a gunshot wound to his leg. Um, immediately we lay him down on the ground, right by the doorway and at that point, I realized something was wrong. It wasn't gun- it wasn't the fireworks, it was actually gunfire. And I'm struc- I'm trying to look around and assess the crowd and seeing if I can see anybody actually shooting or anything like that, because the sound just didn't sound like it was coming, you know, like when you're at the range or - or something like that and you're hearing gunfire, it doesn't sound like it's really close. But, I'm looking, I'm trying to look over the crowd, I'm trying to look and see if I can see out anywhere to see if I can see anybody shooting. Ah, and I can't see anybody. Um, so we start tending to him, a couple a guys in the booth that were there also, ah, grabbed something, 'cause we're like we gotta get a tourniquet on his leg. Um, so we get a tourniquet, we make shift a - make shift a tourniquet, I don't even know what it was, I think it was like a strap of something of a chair or - or something. I - I don't know where they got it from, um, and then right beside the booth there was a wheelchair,

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um, and we're like let's get the wheelchair, so, um, I - I think - I think [REDACTED] had gone down and got the wheelchair, brought it up on the patio, um, and this guy was a big guy, I mean he's probably 250, 275, um, at - at - at a minimum. Ah, and but he's just dead weight. He is just limp, um, he's kind of going in and out of consciousness, you know, he's not really saying anything, um, closing his eyes a little bit and just kinda fading on us. Um, so we finally get him in the wheelchair and we literally have to lean the wheelchair back so he stays in it, because his feet won't stay or anything like that, we flip down the legs, kinda lay his feet there, um, and the guy that was holding the wheelchair ended up leaning - leaning it half back and we're like, you know what let's go out the back, let's not go out the front, so we ended up maneuvering our way through the - through the, ah - ah - ah, booth to the back and the back area, um, there's two stairwells that go up the back side of each of these booths, ah, people were coming down there, um, and then along the back side right beyond the, right behind the booth there's a big fence that basically blocked us in from a, an eating area that was right on the outside and then the open area of - of the crowd. So, a bunch of guys started pushing that open, 'cause we had to get this guy out and we didn't want to go around that side, we wanted to go out the front. Um, there was a lady in the booth that, um, worked for the event of some, in some capacity, I don't know what, she had a - she had a microphone or a, ah, radio on the entire time. She was there with her either her husband, boyfriend kinda hanging out in - in the booth, um, ah, that during the night. So, she's like, "Hey, I'll - I'll direct you out." And so I start following her and now at that point I take over the wheelchair, 'cause I'm like you

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know what let's get her get him to medical. Get out - get outside of the arena and over to medical. So, she's directing me and basically from the booth, um, if you go straight across to directly east, um, towards Mandalay Bay or Giles or whatever that street is that goes on the back side of that and it's not Mandalay Bay, it's, I wanna say it's Giles, but I'm - I'm not 100 percent sure what the street that goes along the back side. But, directly across there's a gate, we went out that gate, um, there was a patrol car right in the middle of the road there, um, and that was one of the exits throughout the weekend that we had gotten out, we had gone out to, to get to our car. So, I knew, I was familiar with that, I knew where my truck was, I knew where other vehicles, medical vehicles were. So, I go up to the patrol car and they're all basically hunkered down at that point, I - I believe there was still gunfire going off, but honestly I don't remember. But, they were all hunkered down behind the car and I'm like, "Where's medical - where's medical?" Um, and they just, they couldn't tell me, they didn't say anything really the guys there. Um, so I'm like, you know what I'm going to the parking lot of the church. So, I literally push this guy all the way and by that time my buddy [REDACTED] and, um, was still with me following along, um, we get into the parking lot of the church and there's two ambulance, two Community Ambulances sitting right there, the back doors are open, but there's a ton of people right there. I don't see any medical personnel, um, they might be triaging people inside, but I don't really see anybody like kind of coordinating any of that there. So, I'm like, they're not gonna be going anywhere, 'cause I don't see anybody with 'em, my truck is like three spaces down, I'm like, "Let's get him in the back of my truck." Um, by that time



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somebody else had grabbed an actual tourniquet, one of our tourniquets, I don't know where he'd gotten it from. Um, so we ended up lifting him in with a couple of us and my buddy [REDACTED] had actually got to the parking lot, him and his wife had got to the parking lot with us. Um, and we st- we literally lift this guy, we get the handles on the bed of my truck, um, we tilt him up and I'm like, I'm try- I'm fighting with the guys, because I'm like, "No, let's not lift the whole thing up." But he's like, "Yeah, we got to, 'cause we gotta get him in the truck." So, I end up getting in the bed of my truck and, um, with a bunch of guys helping pick up the wheels with this guy and I'd literally grab his shirt, pull it up to his shoulder to his armpits and everything else and literally just pull him into my truck. Um, we got the other tourniquet, um, put the other tourniquet on him, um, and I'm like, "You know what I gotta get this guy to the hospital. I don't know how bad this injury is." And really I didn't even know, I knew - I knew that it was in his leg somewhere, but I really wasn't sure. So, we went really high with the tourniquet, um, because he didn't have any wound, he didn't have any blood coming from his waist area it was all lower - lower extremities. Um, so I get him in and as I'm, um, getting him into the bed and getting out, a bunch of other people from the ambulances start to come over and are like, "You going to the hospital?" I'm like, "Yeah." So, additional people get into my bed of my truck. Um, my buddy [REDACTED], um, ah, gets in with me and - and let me regress just a little bit. Um, when we were in the pavilion area, or in the VIP area, um, my wife and my step daughter and her friend basically were in the back on the ground and I basically told them to stay on the ground. Um, I had received a phone call from my daughter, um, [REDACTED] from the

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time that I got from at the VIP area or to my truck I had gotten a phone call. Um, from her, she told me that she was hunkered down by the stage, I'm like, "Okay, stay there, I'm helping somebody with a gunshot wound, um, I'm trying to get 'em to my truck, um, stay there, don't go anywhere." Ah. So, now we're at the truck, people start loading in the back of my truck. I - I don't know how many people literally got in the back of my truck. I really don't, um, I started to leave the parking lot, heading out and there was another patrol car right by the exit of the, ah - ah, parking lot somebody stops me and are like, "Are you going to the hospital?" I'm like, "Yeah." "You got room - you got room?" "Yeah, put anybody in - in the truck." So, some other people got in the truck, um, I remember seeing a lady get thrown in the bed of my truck, she was looked like unconscious, um, ah, they said that she had a gunshot wound either to her back or somewhere, um, she got loaded in. There was some folks that were in the bed with their hang- feet laying, you know, reached over the bed, ah, off the side and I'm like, "Get your feet in - get your feet in." So, um, pretty much loaded up, I got one person in the back seat of my car, my truck along with [REDACTED] um, and I start heading towards the hospital. Um, I go out to Reno, ah, make the left, go up to Reno to the Boulevard, go up to Tropicana, get on the Freeway. Um, there wasn't anybody, there was some patrol cars arriving at the Tropicana area so traffic was getting shut down. Um, there wasn't much traffic out on the Boulevard, but I'm honking my horn, trying to get cars outta my way, flashing my lights, um, I get up to the, ah, I15, um, traffic is kind of opened, um, I - I thought I had gotten a phone call from [REDACTED] as I was getting on the Freeway, um, right there at Tropicana, um, but

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talking to my buddy [REDACTED], it was somewhere where we were on the actual Freeway, when I handed him the phone. Ah, because I was driving and - and I was driving fast, 'cause I wanted to get to the hospital, I had a load of people, um, [REDACTED] even said the bed of my truck was like tilted way down, just that many people. I - I have no idea, eight, ten maybe I don't know. I don't really know how many people were there. Um, but my phone rings and it's my daughter [REDACTED] and she tells [REDACTED]. I say, I - I hand the phone to [REDACTED] and, um, she tells him that she's been shot in the back. Mm. Um, at that point I'm halfway down the Freeway, he thought we were pretty close to Sahara, um, but I'm like I gotta go to the hospital, I gotta get these people unloaded. Um, so I continue down, um, I pass a couple cops, ah, along Charleston, ah, kinda flashing my bad- I had my badge with me, my flat badge, ah, flashing it out the window, saying "I got a load of people in the - in my truck." Um, and I go to UMC Trauma. Um, you know, um, talking about prior incidents that we've handled in CIRT we know that trauma is obviously UMC Trauma is - is - is basically the best place for somebody with some gunshot wounds and things like that. Um, so I pull up to UMC, um, and I start to unload, um, people - people come out and help me there's some patrol ca- patrol officers there, um, they start taking down, they I gave my information to one of the - one of the guys there was in plain clothes with a - with a vest on, I don't know his name, I - I - I recognize him, but I don't - I don't remember his name. Um, and we all basically start unloading people from my truck. Um, I helped one lady off the bed of my truck, off the side, she had a gunshot wound to her, ah, calf area, so I kinda helped carry her into the doorway of UMC, um, and then by that time my

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truck was pretty much emptied. Um, and I'm like, I told [REDACTED] "I gotta go back. I gotta go back and get [REDACTED]." Um, [REDACTED] decided to stay at UMC Trauma, um, because his wife had her vehicle in the parking lot also, um, of the church and she was loading up people in her truck or her car, um, and going to one of the hospitals. Um, we thought she was going to UMC Trauma with us, um, ah, but it turned out that she ended up going to Sunrise, 'cause an officer took - took her folks to Sunrise, but we didn't know that until later on. Um, but he wanted to meet, he wanted to wait for his wife, 'cause she thought, we thought she - she was on the way. Um, so he didn't wanna go with me, he wanted to wait for her. Um, and I got no problem with that, I mean that's what he thought in his mind and he wanted to be with his wife. Um, so I'm racing back, um, badging my way through every barricade, um, to get back. Um, I15 was completely shut down, um, there was no traffic, basically allowing access to, to and from, um, the venue, ah, emergency vehicles and everything else. Um, I end up talking to my daughter and at that point she tells me she is in the medical tent, she had gotten moved from where she got shot at to the medical tent. And I knew where the medical tent was, um, it was a white tent on the east side of the - the property. Um, I co- I get up to Tropicana, I see Tropicana all completely backed up because of traffic because of the flyover, I'm like you know what I'm not going there, I go up to Russell, badge my way through there, tell 'em I'm going down to the scene with my, ah, um, I get down to Tropicana or to, um, the Boulevard and Russell, um, at that point there was a ton of, ah, fire engines probably four fire engines and four or five rescues, paramedics, AMR maybe, Community, I don't - I don't know who they were,

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but there was - there was a bunch of trucks right there stationed at Russell and the - the Boulevard. I - I go by them, ah, there was cars, patrol cars, along the Boulevard, ah, up to Mandalay Bay, there was, I think there was two sets of cars. Um, and they were all, all the guys were hunkered down there, um, in their cars and I just I blew right by 'em. Um, got up to Mandalay Bay made the right went along the back side of the event, um, and pulled up right to the parking lot by the medical tent, or the gate by the medical tent, which was literally right adjacent to the parking lot of the church. I pull up there, um, I get out, um, I ended up shutting my car off, I took my keys, um, thank God, because I think my truck would have been stolen, um, with people, um, and I run inside the tent, um, medical. Um, I'm looking around and immediately inside the front door I see my daughter laying down flat, um, with a bunch of people around her. Um, with a gunshot wound to her back. Um, there was a paramedic there by the name of Travis Heldman, um, he's a Firefighter Engineer, um, for County Fire, um, he saved my daughter's life. And the reason I say that, is that he stabilized her once she got into the medical tent, kept people away from her, didn't allow people to move her, um, calmed me down when I got there, because immediately I told him, "Let's get her in my truck, let's pick her up and get her in my truck." And he basically told me, "Rick, listen, if this was my daughter, I would not move her without a backboard." Um, there was guys trying to slide pieces of cardboard under her to pick her up. Um - um, she was in a lot of pain, um, we basically told everybody, "Hey, we need a backboard - we need a backboard." I'd stepped outta the tent just a little bit, um, and then all of sudden a backboard appeared. Um and that probably

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was five or ten minutes, probably at that point. But they had gotten a backboard. Um, and then, you know, we had they - they wanted to I was actually ready to grab some of the, ah, fencing, um, because people were pulling down the fencing the - the, ah, guard rail fencing that they the cattle guards basically and were getting ready to use those as - as basically makeshift, um, ah, backboards. Ah, but at that point, 'cause I was getting ready to grab one of 'em and at that point, ah, the backboard comes around the corner. So, um, we ended up, ah, rolling [REDACTED] onto the backboard, got her stabilized, and four or five guys helped me, um, pick her up and put her in the back of my truck. Um, Travis stayed with us, um, because I was by myself at that point. He got in the bed of my truck and - and stayed with [REDACTED] um, as I started to go and - and - and as I - as I walked up to my truck with - with [REDACTED] and - and a bunch of other people, there was a guy in my truck, 'cause I'd left my door unlocked trying to start my car. So, my comment about my truck being stolen it probably would have, somebody would have probably taken it if I'd had left my keys in the car. But, you know, um, and I wouldn't probably have had a problem with it, except I wouldn't have been able to get my daughter anywhere. But - but everybody was trying to use whatever resources they had available to - to get people out of there, 'cause there was just so many people. Um, got her in the bed of the truck, um, somebody caught me saying, "Hey are you going to the hospital?" I'm like, "Yeah." I backed up a little bit, um, because they wanted to try to get some other people in there, and, um, nobody ended up jumping in the bed and they're like, "Just go - just go." So, um, I end up going the same - same way to Reno to the Boulevard to Trop

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and right as I got up to Tropicana, um, at this point now there's a bunch of fire trucks, paramedics there and they're starting to sit- set up a triage area there for victims. Um, and I rolled down, ah, my windows already down I - I, ah, badge my- badge my way out there and basically told the Firefighter that kinda stopped me, held me and basically said, "Hey, I'm taking her to the hospital." And they're like, "Go just go." Um, so, ended up getting on the Freeway, um, heading to UMC, 'cause that's where I wanted to get my daughter to. Gunshot wound to the back, um, not really knowing how serious it was, she couldn't really feel her legs and that was one of the biggest things that worried me when she, when I asked her, when I first got to her, um, she said that she couldn't feel her legs. Hm. Um, I15 was completely open again, um, I passed an ambulance going down I15, um, 'cause I'm trying to get there as soon as I can. Um, I go down Shadow Lane, I turn down Charleston, turn down Shadow, um, heading to UMC and at that point, right at the turn off to go over to UMC there was two patrol cars there and they were waving me down, "I'm like I'm - I'm trying to get to the UMC." And they're like, "No - no - no, go to Valley - go to Valley." And I'm like, fuck, that's not where I wanted - that's not where I wanted her to go. But they're like, "UMC is full, they're full, go to U- go to Valley." Um, so I go down, pull into Valley go to the emergency room around the back side. Um, and, ah, pull up to the ER room, um, we ended up unloading her and getting her inside the ER, um, and I ended up staying there. Ah, I mean, I - I was completely covered in blood from my waist down, my shorts were bloody, my legs I had blood all over 'em, both my shoes had blood, um, most likely from - from [REDACTED] Um, from us going just hands on with him and - and

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everything else. Um, they got her stabilized and here we are thirteen days later. Um, she's still in the hospital, um, she's had two surgeries, um, and we'll be leaving on Tuesday.

CJ: Okay. Rick, I just have a couple of questions just for clarification.

RG: Mm-hm.

CJ: Um, when you - when you were putting the guy in the wheelchair when you were taking him to the, to your truck.

RG: Yep.

CJ: And everybody else is there, ah, getting into your truck. Ah, did you ever hear anymore gunshots?

RG: I, you know, I - I don't remember. I don't.

CJ: Okay, so then going back to the when you first heard that initial burst that you thought was firecrack- firecrackers you saw the smoke.

RG: Mm-hm.

CJ: And whatnot, did you ever hear any - any other time?

RG: Craig, I - I could sit here and tell you they probably were going off, but you know what...

CJ: That's okay.



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RG: ...um, I was completely focused on getting that guy out of there. Um, I ran across the crowd, um, I - I honestly didn't hear any, but, um, I - I knew they were going off, 'cause it was, I mean they'd gon- they - they went off for ten minutes, I mean and I know it was, we weren't in that tent for that long. I know we weren't. 'Cause it was literally, um, he probably got shot by the first couple rounds of - of - of burst and walked up to us. Um, and we got him out of there pretty damn quick.

CJ: Okay.

RG: And, ah, and when I talked to my daughter in that time period she was safe, up by the stage. Um, talking to my daughter, she moved from the stage after the first couple, ah, volleys of fire, um, moved to the center bar areas that were right in front of the stage, from there and then from there she moved to the back side along the right along the edge of the - of the - of the - of the chair area on the east side of it there's a row of vendors, food on - on both sides of - of the walkway there of the chairs and then on the other side it kinda backs up to another set of - of vendors and at the end of that vendor area there's a Budweiser booth and that's where she told me that she got shot at, um, at the very, probably one of the last rounds, um, that were being fired. When she moved from that middle area back to there.

CJ: Okay.

RG: Um, 'cause she was trying to get out.

CJ: Mm-hm. And my last question, ah, you mentioned that you had used your badge or flat badge to get in and out.

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RG: Uh-huh.

CJ: Were you armed also?

RG: I was not.

CJ: Okay.

RG: Nope - no and - and I didn't bring my gun, um, and the reason I - I - I didn't, because I, I knew I was gonna be drinking, um, but, um, you know, me and my wife it was kinda funny, in years past, um, you know, one or one or two of us would - would tie one on, um, but this year it just seemed like neither one of us were really in the mood to drink a lot. On top of in the past - past years when we would tie one on, it was really hard to get going the next day. So, we're like, you know what we wanna enjoy the weekend I don't wanna be, I mean it's even tir- it's tiring as it is to be there for three days straight going there from 2 o'clock in the afternoon 'till midnight almost, 11 o'clock, it's, that's tiring in and of itself being on your feet and standing around. Then you throw in, you get, you're - you're getting really, um, you know, shit faced drunk, it just doesn't feel good the next day, 'cause I know, I've - I've done it. And I just didn't wanna do it this year, so we, yeah, we had some drinks, but we weren't really, um, drinking a lot.

CJ: Okay.

RG: So, um, so, I but - but because I was drinking and I didn't wanna leave my gun in my car, I left my gun at home.

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CJ: Okay.

RG: So.

CJ: All right.

RG: But, I had my badge, because I had to get into the parking lot.

CJ: Right. Trever, do you have anything?

TA: I have nothing.

CJ: Kirk?

KH: I have nothing.

CJ: Um, anything else that you'd like to add, Rick, um, there's, ah - ah, if you have any thoughts, concerns?

RG: You know, the - the, you know, looking back at it - at it this week, you know, I've had - I've had some several conversations with - with folks, victims, I mean we had - we had several victims here, families and - and things like that. You know, there was a lot a heroism that - that night, um, everybody pitched in to help everybody, um, you know, I don't even know all the guys that helped me get this guy in the wheelchair, I don't know a couple of 'em, I don't know everybody that was around my truck putting people in my truck, um, you know, I've tried to track down, asking the folks at UMC to identify everybody that, um, I helped that was in my truck, um, I've only been able to identify one for sure, possibly another, I'm not even for sure. Um, ah, so I - I guess - I guess if we were to say, you know, things to - to improve on, you know, there were

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cops there at, um, ah, UMC, ah, when I pulled up, you know, trying to keep track of everybody just for accountability purposes of everybody that came in and - and I know there was hundreds, you know, I mean at the - the last count was 547 people, you know, injured. Um, you know, that doesn't include the 58 that were killed that probably some of them got to the hospitals, so you're - you're talking almost 600 people, um, you know, being sent to area hospitals. Um, and obviously we can't keep track of everybody, but I think trying to keep track of that, um, you know, the - the, um, the way the Freeways were shut down for immediate access for - for back and forth for emergency vehicles was phenomenal. Um, it just was so quick. I don't know who did it, whether it was NHP, or Patrol, I - I don't know, um, but it was shut down from Russell, um, up to Charleston. And, um, so that was amazing, that helped our path going to UMC the first time and then going back to - to Valley, ah, phenomenal, I mean, ah, I think there was a there is a point that, ah, looking at text messages, looking at calls, phone calls, um, that, um, I - I think from the time that I left UMC to the time I got back to Valley Hospital and I texted my buddy to let him know that I was at Valley Hospital it - it was either like 12 or 15 minutes.

CJ: Wow.

RG: And I know I was there at - at - at the medical tent for a few - few minutes trying to find that backboard to get her in the truck. But, it didn't take that long, because just traffic was open and - and we could go back and forth. Um, you know, um, ah, you know, there was, um, you know, another piece to this and I'll - I'll share it with you that I've - I've learned. Um, [REDACTED] step dad works for County Fire and he was

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working that night he works out of Station 11. And he was actually literally adjacent to the medical tent when the shots started firing. Um, they knew it and they ended up actually moving back to a safe area along Reno and Koval, um, but he was, um, he's been struggling with a lot of it, because he couldn't get to her. 'Cause they had been texting too, um, back and forth. So, um, you know, um, I understand the medical folks, you know, they, we don't we you know, medicals not gonna go in until the scene is safe, um, and I understand that, um, ah, and that's why they were positioned where they were at. Um, but there was a lot of people that pitched in and - and - and helped, um, helped me, helped people get into my truck, helped me get my daughter into my truck, um, and, um, and I - and I have to say that my daughter and my family have been treated with the utmost respect and given everything that we have needed this week from the hospital staff, to the police department, to, um, all of the other agencies. Her mom works for Henderson Fire as a - as a support staff, um, they've supported us and County Fire has supported us, Metro supported us so we have been supported the entire time and I don't know that I would be able to survive this week with everything that's happened, um, to get to this point today. Um, we got one of the best surgeons in this town to come in, um, that didn't have privileges at this hospital, to come in and do the surgery on [REDACTED] 'cause I didn't want to transfer her, because of the - the amount of support that we've gotten. So, um, you know, um, you know, I think there needs to be a - a look at, I mean I think they're estimating 22,000 people that were at that arena. Um, there was a lot of people. Um, and we even talked throughout the weekend that, you know, man is this, you know would the

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Fire Department have an issue with this amount of - amount of people that are there and the access and the everything else, I don't - I don't know. Um, you know, people are talking about, you know, there's not, there wasn't enough ac- ah, exits and - and things like that for people to get out. I don't know, I don't, I'm not that - I'm not that engineer that designed that arena, but, um, I think that's something that needs to be, ah, looked at because of the amount of people. You know, they sold out pretty quickly, um, this year, um, where in the years past they hadn't sold out and I don't know what the actual capabilities of that whole arena, but, you know, yeah, maybe the whole property can hold 22,000 people, but, you know, I mean people aren't gonna, you know, be in the back of the arena, um, at the - at the second stage when you can have a lot of people there, um, to cover that party of that 22,000 when Jason Aldean the main headliner is there. And there's nobody playing back there. They're all gonna be up front and so now you've put everybody, you know, side by side and that's why we - we chose to stay in the back, because it's - it's just too crowded. People fight, you know, you're wall to wall people, you can't get through the crowds, so, um, I think that there - there's an issue with that. Um, and - and the amount of people, ah, and somebody probably needs to look at that, so.

CJ: Okay.

RG: Um, anything else you wanna, any other questions or?

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CJ: I - I don't. I don't have anything else. Trevor, Kirk? Rick, thanks and - and we all wish the very best for [REDACTED] and for the rest of your family. Operator, this is the end of the interview. The - the time is, um, 1347. Same people present.

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